

REMARKS

Claims 1-15, 17, 18, 20-22 and 24-26 are pending in the application.

Claims 15, 17, 18, 20 and 21 are allowed.

Claims 22 and 24-26 are objected to.

Claims 1-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112.

No new matter is added.

Claims 1-15, 17, 18, 20-22 and 24-26 remain in the case for consideration.

Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the claims in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 15, 17, 18, 20 and 21 are allowed.

Claims 1 and 12 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.

Claim 22 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection set forth in this Office action.

Applicant has amended claims 1, 12 and 22 to correct errors pointed out by the Examiner. All claims are now in condition for allowance.

For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of the claims of the application as amended is requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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